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FOR: MR. ROBERT L. SEILER  
4612 WEST BUCHANAN ROAD  
ITHACA ROUTE NO. 2 MICHIGAN 48847  
AREA CODE 517 PHONENO. 875-3887

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: CDES  
SUBJECT: DEATH OF US CITIZEN DENNIS LEE SEILER

1. NEXT OF KIN ROBERT L SEILER HAS BEEN INFORMED  
BY RELATIVE BY TELEPHONE OF DEATH BY DROWNING OF SON  
DENNIS LEE SEILER ON SATURDAY, FEBUARY 19, 1977  
IN RIO VERDE, STATE OF GOIAS, BRAZIL. THIS CABLE  
IS TO INFORM DEPARTMENT THAT CLOSEST RELATIVE OF DECEASED  
HIS UNCLE, MR. RENO HIBNER IS PROCEEDING WITH PREPARATIONS  
TO EMBALM REMAINS AND SHIP SAME TO U.S. HE WISHES  
THAT THIS INFORMATION BE PASSED ON TO FATHER OF DECEASED.  
BODY IS PRESENTLY IN POSSESSION OF COMPETENT BRAZILIAN  
MEDICAL AUTHORITIES TO PERFORM EMBALMING. EMBALMING  
WILL BE PERFORMED ON SUNDAY, FEBUARY 20, 1977 IN  
BRASILIA BRAZILA.

2. YOUR SON HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED BY RELATIVES, PASSPORT AND  
CONSULAR OFFICER.

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3. AT PRESENT MR. RENO HIBNER IS IN EMBASSY AWAITING  
CALL FROM RELATIVES IN MICHIGAN. MR. HIBNER  
HAS IN HIS POSSESSION SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO PAY  
ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH EMBALMING AND PREPARATION  
OF SHIPMENTS OF REMAINS TO MICHIGAN.

4. MR. CLIFFORD HIBNER OF ITHACA, MICHIGAN, BROTHER

RENO HIBNER AND LEADER OF TOUR GROUP OF WHICH  
MR. DENNIS LEE SEILER WAS A MEMBER, IS IN POSSESSION  
PERSONAL EFFECTS OF DECEASED AND WILL RETURN SAME TO U.S.

5. REGRETFULLY, I MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE  
NEED TO MAKE URGENT ARRANGEMENTS. LOCAL LAW  
REQUIRES THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR BURIAL OR  
SHIPMENT WITHIN 24 HOUR AFTER DEATH.  
PREPARATION AND AIR SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO U.S.  
HAS BEEN ESTIMATED BY MR. RENO HIBNER ON THE BASIS  
OF PAST EXPERIENCE TO BE APPROXIMATELY US DOLS 3000.00

6. N/A

7. AT PRESENT POST NEEDS TO KNOW NAME AND ADDRESS OF US  
FUNERAL HOME SELECTED TO RECEIVE REMAINS.

8. UPON COMPLETION OF EMBALMING BRAZILIAN 24  
HOUR TIME LIMIT WILL HAVE BEEN SATISFIED AS TO  
DISPOSITION OF REMAINS. DUE TO TIME OF YEAR IN  
BRAZIL, VARNIVAL, EMBASSY CANNOT GIVE EXACT ESTIMATE  
AS TO FINAL COMPLETION OF PAPERWORK NECESSARY FOR  
SHIPMENT OF REMAINS DUE TO THE ABSENCE OF MANY BRAZILIAN  
GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND THE NON-FUNCTIONING OF  
BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICES UNTIL AFTERNOON  
OF WEDNESDAY, FEBUARY 23, 1977.

9. INFORMATION REQUIRED IN DEATH CERTIFICATE HAS  
BEEN TAKEN CARE OF BY MR. RENO HIBNER.  
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10. IF NECESSARY YOU MAY CONTACT THE CONSULAR SECTION  
OF THIS POST BY PHONING 23-120 IN BRASILIA, BRAZIL.

11. BE ASSURED OF MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT.  
AMERICAN EMBASSY, BRASILIA, BRAZIL.  
CRIMMINS

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